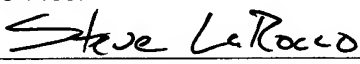
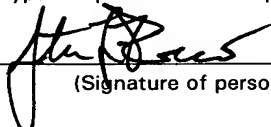


10/559996

IAP8 Rec'd PCT/PTO 08 DEC 2005

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>U.S. National of Int. Appln.</b> <b>No. PCT/EP2004/006315</b>  <b>Applicant: KRÄHMER et al.</b>  <b>Filed: Herewith</b>  <b>Title: REAGENTS FOR MODIFYING BIOPHARMACEUTICALS, THE USE AND PRODUCTION THEREOF</b>  <b>Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned</b>  <b>Examiner: Not Yet Assigned</b>	<b><u>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL"</u></b>  "Express Mail" Mailing Label Number  EL 524668075 US  DEC 08 2005  Date of Deposit: _____  I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Service under 37 CFR §1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Mail Stop <b>PCT</b> , Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.   (Typed or printed name of person mailing)   (Signature of person mailing)
<b>Docket No.: 87136</b>  <b>Cust. No.: 22242</b>	

Mail Stop **PCT**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified U.S. national phase application of International Application No. PCT/EP2004/006315, filed June 11, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.